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| In re Application of: |) | Examiner: |
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| Hung-Shan Wei |) | Paul Danneman |
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| For: MATERIAL SHORTAGE SIMULATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD |) | Attorney Docket No.: US3652 |

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office action, mailed May 13, 2008, in connection with the above-identified application, kindly consider the accompanying remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.